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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A process for producing a paper product, in which paper in a particular form, and mixed with water, is subjected to pressure to form a compacted mass which involves, or includes, said process comprising the steps of: depositing the mix onto a first conveyor belt and then progressively forming the conveyor belt into an upwardly open U-shape configuration and compressing the mix by means of using a second conveyor belt guided to progressively enter the first conveyor belt and progressively compact the mix.

2. (Currently amended) A process for producing a paper product as claimed in Claim 1, wherein further comprising the steps of extruding the compacted mass is subsequently extruded and subjected to dehydration dehydrating the compacted mass to reduce its moisture content.

3. (Currently amended) A process for producing a paper product as claimed in Claim 1-or-2, wherein coal dust is added to the mix.

4. (Currently amended) A process for producing a paper product as claimed in any one of Claim[s] 1 to 3, wherein calcium oxide is also added to the mix.

5. (Currently amended) An apparatus for producing a paper product, wherein paper in a particulate form and mixed with water is to be subjected to pressure to form a compacted mass, said apparatus including:

a first conveyor belt[,];

means to <u>for</u> progressively form<u>ing</u> the first conveyor belt into an upwardly open U-shaped configuration[,]; and

a second conveyor belt with means to <u>for</u> progressively guide guiding the second conveyor belt into the first conveyor belt to progressively compact the mix.



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6-7. (Cancelled)

8. (Currently amended) A paper product resulting from the process of any one of Claims 1 to 3 or Claim 5 Claim 1.